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Iowa Department of Agriculture  
in conjunction with  
Iowa Farm Bureau Federation

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Secretary

# CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

**Eligibility Requirements;**

1. Ownership within the same family for 100 or more years by July 4, 19~~24~~<sup>84</sup> of at least 40 acres of Iowa farmland.
2. Present owner must be related to a person who owned the land at least 100 years ago.
3. Application must be notarized and submitted by June 1, 19~~24~~<sup>84</sup>.

One Century farm marker per farm will be furnished by Iowa Farm Bureau. Additional markers may be purchased upon request.

One Century Farm Certificate will be awarded for each legal farm owner by Iowa Department of Agriculture. Additional certificates may be purchased at a cost of \$1.00 per certificate from the Iowa Department of Agriculture.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Photo

Name of Present Farm Owner Betty J. Jones

Address of Century Farm  
Township Hickory Grove Century Farm County Jasper

Number of acres in farm at present 160

Date your ancestors first purchased this land Jan. 10, 1884 (S $\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$  - 80 acres)

Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation Grinnell Herald Register & Rockwell City Advocate

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement) S $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and N $\frac{1}{2}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 34, T81N, R17W.

List all ancestors who owned this land, beginning with original:

NAME	RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER
John Jeffs	Grandfather
Rachel Jeffs	Grandmother
Royal Jeffs	Father
Inez Jeffs	Mother

NOTE: Request for additional information on reverse side.

# APPLICATION FOR CENTURY FARM MARKER AND CERTIFICATE

Information you may be able to add to this form, while not essential to Century Farm Certification, will be most valuable to future historians. The questions below are offered only as a guide, so please feel free to add any other data, especially family or pioneer stories concerning the farm and area around it.

From whom was the farm purchased? G. W. Dickey and wife

How many acres were in the original parcel? 80

What was the cost of land per acre? \$27.50

Where was the first owner born? Ireland

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Gilman, Iowa

Was this a homestead? No; patented May 1, 1855 to William Morrison

Did the first owner farm the land? Yes

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? No

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? \_\_\_\_\_

Hay barn and corn crib. Hay barn has been remodeled several times.

When was the present home built? House - typical square 2-story built circa 1876.  
Burned down in 1968.

What are the farm's crops or products? Corn, beans, hay - pasture for livestock.

I (~~we~~, Betty J. Jones)  
being duly sworn, depose and say that the statements on this application are true and correct with regard to the land described above.

Betty J. Jones  
(Signature(s) of Applicant(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February 19 84.

My Commission expires 

Dale E. Gray  
Notary Public in and for the

County of Calhoun State of Iowa

Send to: Iowa Department of Agriculture  
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